account of the district judge and district attorney, respectively, entitled thereto, showing the actual and necessary traveling expenses, and other actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties in compliance with the provisions of this Act; provided, there shall never be paid to any such judge or district attorney more than the sum of four hundred (\$400.00) dollars in any one year under the provisions of this Act; provided, further, that the account for such services above provided for shall be recorded in the minutes book of the district court of the county in which such judge or district attorney shall reside.

Section 2. The fact that the amount now allowed by law to the various district judges and district attorneys in this State and the Judge of the Criminal District Court of Harris and Galveston Counties for their actual and necessary expenses incidental to the discharge of their duties over their several districts is inadequate, the crowded condition of the calendars of both houses of the Legislature and the near approach of the end of the Special Session of the Legislature creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage and it is so enacted.

#### Enrolling Committee Report.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 18, 1918. Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro

Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 95, copy of which is hereto attached and find it correctly enrolled and have this day at 3 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval. SMITH Chairman.

By McNealus.

S. B. No. 95.

An Act declaring that casualty insurance companies incorporated under Chapter 117, General Laws passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, Dayton.

shall hereafter have authority to write marine insurance, in which may be included the hazards and perils incident to war; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That casualty insurances companies incorporated under Chapter 117, General Laws passed by the Regular Session of the Thirtysecond Legislature, shall hereafter have authority to write marine insurance in which may be included the hazards and perils incident to war.

Section 2. The fact that this is a called session of the Legislature, and the importance of this legislation, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity which requires that the constitutional rule providing that bills shall be read on three several days be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

### EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, Tuesday, March 19, 1918.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice. Henderson. Bailey. Hopkins.

Johnson of Hall. Bee. Buchanan of Bell. Johnston of Harris.

Buchanan of Scurry. Lattimore. Caldwell. McNealus. Clark. Page. Robbins. Collins. Dean. Smith. Strickland. Decherd. Suiter Faust. Westbrook. Floyd.

Woodward. Gibson..

Hall.

Absent.

Hudspeth.

Parr.

Absent—Excused.

McCollum.

Prayer by the Chaplain,

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Alderdice.

Petitions and Memorials.

See Appendix.

Committee Reports.

See Appendix.

(Senator Alderdice in the chair.)

Message from the House.

Hall of House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House requests the Senate to return Senate Bill No. 22 for correction.

Respectfully, BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

#### Senate Bill No. 22 Returned to House.

Senator McNealus moved that the Senate grant the request of the House for the return of Senate Bil! No. 22 to that body for correction.

The motion prevailed.

Morning call concluded.

## Senate Bill No. 53.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 53, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that women may vote in all primary elections and nominating conventions in Texas; prescribing qualifications for such voters; providing for registration in cities of ten thousand inhabitants and over, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Westbrook moved the adoption of the majority (favorable) committee report.

tute the adoption of the minority (adverse) committee report.

The substitute was lost.

Action recurred upon the majority report and the same was adopted.

Senator Lattimore moved that House Bill No. 105 be considered at this time in lieu of Senate Bill No. 53.

The motion prevailed.

(President Pro Tem. Decherd in the chair.)

#### House Bill No. 105.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

H. B. No. 105, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that women may vote in all primary elections and nominating conventions in Texas; prescribing qualifications for such voters, providing for registration in cities of 10,000 and over, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

Senator Page offered the following amendment:

Amendment No. . 1 to House Bill No. 105.

Amend the bill page 1, line 19, by changing the period after the word "conventions" to a comma, and by adding the following after said com-"Held during the year 1918, but after said year all of the provisions of the Statutes of Texas, providing for the payment of a poll tax by a male as a prerequisite to voting shall apply to females, and the tax collectors of the respective counties shall add to the certified lists of poll tax payers, furnished by them to the respective officers of election under existing laws, the names of all females paying poll tax under the provisions of the laws of this State.'

Senator Lattimore offered the following substitute for the pending amendment:

Amend House Bill No. 105, Section 2, by inserting after the words "per-sonally fill out" in line 6 of said section, the following words "the blank form of registration receipt hereinafter set out" and by striking out the words "blank certificate" immediately before the words "on oath" in line 7 of said Section and inserting after said word "registration," the word Senator Bailey moved as a substi-"receipt," and by striking out the words "certificate of" after the word "such" in line 9 of said Section 2, and inserting after the word "registration" in said line the word "receipt," and by striking out the words "certificate of registration" immediately after the second period in said Section 2, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "registration receipts," and by striking out all beginning with the words "certificate of registration" and containing the form of said certificate in the latter part of Section 2, and by inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

## . Registration Receipt.

State of Texas, County of
No I of
County, Texas, am years of age,
color, race, oc-
cupation, residence No
city, voting precinct
, postoffice address, have
lived at said placeyears.
(0!3)

(Signed)..... Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of....., 191...

Tax Collector.....County tive messages, which were laid beaforesaid, hereby certify that the personally registrant foregoing signed and swore to the facts set out in the above receipt before me, showing her to be a qualified voter in primary elections in said county, State and precinct for the year ..... (Seal) Tax Collector . . . . . County.

Amend said bill be inserting after Section 4, a new Section to be known as Section 5, to read as folows:

Section 5. The provisions of this Act shall apply to and govern the voting of women in the primary election held during the year 1918, and from and after the first of January, 1919, each woman voter in this State voting and offering to vote in any primary election or convention shall be required to pay the poll tax now required by law of each male person who desires to vote and shall be governed and controlled by all of the laws of the State of Texas, requiring and permitting the voting upon the payment of poll taxes in this State.

And by renumbering the following Section to correspond.

By unanimous consent, the substi- lic Buildings and Grounds.

tute was withdrawn; the pending amendment offered by Senator Page was withdrawn, and the substitute by Senator Lattimore was then offered as an original amendment and the same was read.

Pending.

#### Bill Signed.

The Chair, President Pro Tem. Decherd, gave notice of signing and did sign in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read, the following bill:

H. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1197, Title 17 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, relating to delinquent children so as to include and further prescribe the procedure in cases of boys and girls, fixing penalties, and declaring an emergency."

## Messages from the Governor.

A messenger here appeared at the bar of the Senate with several executive messages, which were laid be-

Governor's Office, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Fourth Called Session.

At the request of Senator W. D. Caldwell and Hon. Howard Bland, I submit for your consideration an Act enlarging and establishing the Jarrell Independent School District, Williamson County, Texas.

Respectfully submitted, W. P. HOBBY, Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Fourth Called Session.

At the request of Hon. C. F. Sentell, I submit for your consideration . the following claims which have been presented against the State of Texas:

Account of Hon. W. W. Dodd, District Attorney pro tempore Thirty-sixth Judicial District.

Account of J. A. Brewer for refund of taxes erroneously paid on personal property.

Account of Texas Company for oil furnished to the Department of PubAccount of Hon. C. W. Carlisle, sheriff of Liberty County for fees in the case of the State of Texas vs. Archie Bass.

Respectfully submitted, W. P. HOBBY, Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Fourth Called Session.

I submit for your consideration the subject to an increased appropriation for the Department of Education.

In connection with this subject, I submit copies of the following letters: Hon. W. F. Doughty, State Superintendent, to the Governor; E. L. Steck, printer, to Hon. W. F. Doughty, Superintendent; also an estimate from Von Boeckmann-Jones Co., and one from the Department of Education, showing the present indebtedness and needs of that Department.

Respectfully submitted, W. P. HOBBY, Governor of Texas.

The Department of Education.

Austin, Texas, March 16, 1918.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, Governor of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir: Herewith I am submitting statement of the needs of the State Department of Education and am asking that you recommend an emergency appropriation for the following reasons:

- 1. The State Department of Education has heretofore had to ask the printers to carry a large part of its printing account on their books from three to six months in order to serve the best interest of the schools.
- 2. The increase in postage rates creates a deficiency of about \$1,500. in the Department's expenses.
- 8. The numerous requests made by the Federal Government upon the State Department of Education for war service through the public free schools creates an emergency in that additional printing must be done in order to comply fully and promptly to the needs of the Government at this time.
  - 4. The Department of Education,

through its regular appropriations, has been bearing the necessary expenses of the State Board of Vocational Education authorized by the Thirty-fifth Legislature, First Called The Federal Government Session. has designated the various State Boards of Vocational Education to do within the draft age for emergency war training for radio and buzzer operators, mechanics, technicians, and is now recommending that the Board train teachers whose duty it shall be to train disabled soldiers and sailors returning from the war in the useful occupations. The State Board of Vocational Education, composed of the Governor of Texas, the Secretary of State, and the Comp-troller, is doing its bit as best it can through its executive officer and staff of vocational experts to train men and women in the useful vocations that will help to win the war.

5. With the emergency appropriation granted, the State Department of Education is unable to pay its present indebtedness, to settle its accounts when due for the remainder of the fiscal year, and to do the work obligatory upon it as the State's agency for the administration of the public free schools.

Respectfully submitted.

W. F. DOUGHTY, State Superintendent.

Statement of the Present Indebtedness of the State Department of Educaion.

Present indebtedness to	
printers\$	3,200.00
40,000 teachers registers	3,000.00
Auditor's report, blanks	
and forms	300.00
High School Affiliation	
bulletin	500.00
400,000 State Course of	
Study	1,000.00
5,000 Summer Normal	
bulletin	100.00
10,000 Rural School bul-	
letin	700.00
26,500 Head Teacher's	
Term Report	800.00
300,000 Teacher's Monthly	
Reports	600.00
Federal aid blanks, bulle-	
tins and forms	900.00
Various other forms	200.00
Stamps	1,500.00
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\$12,800.00

E. L. Steck.

Austin, Texas, March 13, 1918. Hon. W. F. Doughty, State Superintendent, Austin, Texas.

Dear Mr. Doughty: We have been watching the legislative proceedings to see if, perhaps, they were going to administer to your needs, but so far we have failed to see wherein they have done anything for your Department. We know that you are looking after this matter, but we thought possibly you were so exceedingly busy it would not be amiss to call this to your attention. We hope you will be able to effect such arrangement as you have in mind, for the sake of a poor bunch of printers, if for no other consideration.

If we can be of any service to you, command us.

Best wishes, E. L. STECK.

Von Boeckmann-Jones Company.

Austin, Texas, March 12, 1918. Department of Education.

Printing bills in excess of "Department's appropriation for print-

February bills allowed by Printing Board and remaining unpaid: Our job No. 179, binding

School Laws .....\$ 184.80

Our job No. 196—Bulletin
72, Education ......\$ 382.05 Our job No. 214-Bulletin

74, Education ..... 87.13 Our job No. 223-Bulletin

75, Education ......

725.46

71.48

Jobs now in progress-estimated amounts:

Our job No. 226-Education Bulletin 76.....\$ 560.00 Our job No. 236-Educa-

tion Bulletin 77..... 300.00

\$ 860.00 Grand total .......\$1,585.46

## Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Caldwell:

S. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act enlarging and establishing the Jarrell Independent School District in Williamson County, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to. Committee on Educational-Affairs.

By Senator Johnston of Harris: S. B. No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3903, Chapter 4, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, of the State of Texas, and as amended by Chapter 142 of the Regular Session of the Thirtythird Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 55 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, relating to the appointment of certain officers named in Articles 3881 to 3886 of the Revised Civil Statutes, of deputies or assistants in the performance of the duties of such officers, where such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for an application to be made by such officers to the county judge of the county for authority to appoint same; prescribing the issuance by the county judge of an order authorizing the appointment of such deputies or assistants; providing that the officers desiring such deputies or assistants shall make affidavit that such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for the salary of a chief deputy and the other deputies or assistants; providing that the order of the county judge granting such authority shall state the number of deputies or assistants; providing that the officers requesting said deputies or assistants shall fix their compensation; providing the maximum amount allowed for deputies in counties having a population of 37,-500 to 100,000; providing the maximum amount allowed deputies in counties having a population in excess of 100,000, as shown by the last scholastic census; and provding that in counties in excess of 100,000 in habitants, district attorneys or any district or county attorney, is authorized, with the consent of the county judge of said county, to appoint two assistants in addition to his regular force, which two assistants shall not be required to possess same qualification required by law for district and county attorneys; providing amount paid said deputies, also providing for fifty (\$50.00) dollars per month for necessary expenses, etc., and declaring an emergency,"
Read first time and referred to

Committee on State Affairs.

## Simple Resolution No. 41.

Whereas, The State Printer claims he has some kind of an agreement by the terms of which he has six days in which to print bills; and

Whereas, There are a number of important bills now in the hands of said printer, which were sent down to him as early as the 15th, and are not yet printed. To inquiries as to why these bills are not back in the Senate and printed, he says he has six days; and

Whereas, If said printer takes six days, it will make it so late that important laws cannot pass; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate of Texas,
That said printer be instructed to
print said bills as rapidly as possible
without regard to any six day agreement and to return same with the
utmost expedition.

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LATTIMORE.

The resolution was read and adopted.

#### Senate Bill No. 102.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 102 put on its second reading by the following vote:

## Yeas-23.

Alderdice.	Henderson.
Bailey.	Hopkins.
Bee.	Johnson of Hall.
Buchanan of Scurry. Johnston of H	
Caldwell.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McCollum.
Collins.	McNealus.
Dean.	Page.
Decherd.	Robbins.
Faust.	Smith.

Suiter

Hall.
Absent.

Buchanan of Bell. Strickland. Floyd. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Woodward. Parr.

Absent-Excused.

Dayton.

Gibson.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading:

S. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitle Hudspe "An Act enlarging and establishing Strickl

the Jarrell Independent School District in Williamson County, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended.

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Caldwell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 102 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-25.

١	Alderdice.	Henderson.
ļ	Bailey.	Hopkins.
i	Bee.	Johnson of Hall.
	Buchanan of Bell.	Johnston of Harris,
Buchanan of Scurry, Lattimore.		.Lattimore.
١	Caldwell.	McCollum.
1	Clark.	McNealus.
	Collins.	Page.
	Dean.	Parr.
	Decherd.	Robbins.
	Faust.	Smith.
	Gibson.	Suiter
	Hall,	

### Absent.

Floyd.	Westbrook.
Hudspeth.	Woodward.
Strickland.	

#### Absent-Excused.

Dayton.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and, on motion of Senator Caldwell, was passed by the following vote:

### Yeas—25.

1		
	Alderdice.	Henderson.
	Bailey.	Hopkins.
	Bee.	Johnson of Hall.
	Buchanan of Bell	. Johnston of Harris.
Buchanan of Scurry, Lattimore.		
	Caldwell.	McCollum.
	Clark.	McNealus.
	Collins.	Page.
	Dean.	Parr.
	Decherd.	Robbins.
	Faust.	Smith.
	Gibson.	Suiter
	Hall.	

### Absent.

Floyd.	Westbrook.
Hudspeth.	Woodward.
Strickland	

Absent-Excused.

Dayton.

#### Senate Bill No. 99.

The Chair laid before the Senate

on second reading:

S. B. No. 99, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation for the support and maintenance of the State Training School for Juveniles located at Gatesville, Texas, for the current fiscal year, ending August 31, 1918, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was

suspended. ,

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

The bill was read second time and

passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Buchanan of Bell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 99 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-26.

Alderdice. Hopkins. Johnson of Hall. Johnston of Harris. Buchanan of Bell. Lattimore. Buchanan of Scurry. McCollum. Caldwell. McNealus. Collins. Page. Dean. Parr. Decherd. · Robbins. Faust. Smith. Gibson. Strickland. Hall. Suiter Henderson. Westbrook.

#### Absent.

Clark. . Floyd. Hudspeth. Woodward.

Absent-Excused.

Dayton.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and, on motion of Senator Buchanan of Bell, was passed by the following vote:

## Yeas-26.

Alderdice. Caldwell.;
Bailey. Collins.
Bee. Dean.
Buchanan of Bell. Decherd.
Buchanan of Scurry, Faust.

Floyd. McNealus.
Hall. Page.
Henderson. Parr.
Hopkins. Robbins.
Johnson of Hall. Smith.
Johnston of Harris Strickland.
Lattimore. Suiter
McCollum. Westbrook.

Present-Not Voting.

Gibson.

Absent.

Clark. Hudspeth. Woodward.

Absent-Excused.

Dayton.

#### Recess.

At 12:23 o'clock p. m., the Senate, on motion of Senator Westbrook, recessed until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

#### After Recess.

# (Afternoon Session.)

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Decherd.

By unanimous consent, and on the request of Senator Alderdice, the Senate stood at ease for fifteen minutes.

(Senator Suiter in the chair.)

# Messages from the House.

Hall of House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7828 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, providing the Governor shall appoint nine persons as public weighers in every city which receives annually 100,000 bales of cotton."

H. B. No. 155, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of House bill No. 525, enacted by the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the Regular Session creating the Nixon Independent School District and as amended by Section 1, House bill No. 89, Thirty-

fifth Legislature, First Called Sestion, revising metes and bounds of said district, and declaring an emer-

gency."

S. B. No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make appropriation for the maintenance of the State Council of Defense, and the payment of the secretary thereof and his asistants, traveling expenses and other necessary expenses to be incurred by the State Council of Defense, including clerk hire, and declaring an emergency.'

H. B. No. 119, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the sale of certain public domain by the State on February 21, 1909, and declaring an

emergency."

Respectfully.

BOB BARKER, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House

has passed the following bill:

H. B. No. 156, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Section 119, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, by adidng thereto Articles 6901a, 6901b, 6901c, 6901d and 6901e; fixing the compensation of county commissioners in counties having a population of 30,000 and over; providing a method of determining the population; providing that if any part of this act be clared void the same shall not affect the remaining portions; validating the acts of any commissioners court in heretofore paying the amount of salary provided by any road law, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER.

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Hall of the House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

H. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3086, Chapter 10, Title 49, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, so as to provide that no candidate at a primary elec- lowing amendment:

ion for a State or district office shall be declared the nominee of any political party unless he is legally qualified to hold such office, has complied with all the requirements of law, and received a majority of the votes cast for all candidates for such office at such primary election; providing for the holding of a second primary election and fixing the date for the holding of all second primary elections, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully, BOB BARKER. Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

## Bills Read and Referred.

The Chair, Senator Suiter, had referred after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 101, referred to the Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

H. B. No. 155, referred to the Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 119, referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

H. B. No. 156, referred to the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 110, referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

### House Bill No. 105.

(Pending business.)

The Chair laid before the Senate as pending business on second read-

H. B. No. 105, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that women may vote in all primary elections and nominating conventions in Texas; prescribing qualifications for such voters, providing for registration in cities of ten thousand and over, and declaring an emergency."

The question being upon the pending amendment by Senator Lattimore, (See proceedings of this forenoon for the amendment in full, page 316, and the same was adopted.

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment which was read and adopted:

(2) Amend House Bill No. 105, by adding at the end of Section 1, the following: "During the year 1918."

Senator Strickland offered the fol-

Amend House Bill No. 105, by adding after Section 5 the following:

Section 5a. Provided that for the year 1918 before any woman not residing in a city of over 10,000 inhabitants, may vote under the pro-visions of this Act, she shall register as hereinbefore provided for said cities of 10,000 population and over, at least 10 days inclusive prior to the day of said primary election and the county tax collector in each county in this State shall provide a record for the registration of women voters and said tax collector is charged with the same duties under this Section as he is under Section 2 of this Act.

> STRICKLAND. McNEALUS. BUCHANAN of Scurry.

Senator Collins moved to table the amendment and this motion 'prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-14.

Alderdice. Lattimore. Page. Bec. Collins. Parr. Dean. . Robbins. Smith. Floyd. Henderson. Sulter Johnson of Hall Westbrook.

## Nays-11.

Bailey. Gibson. Buchanan of Scurry, Hall.

Caldwell. Johnston of Harris.

Clark. Decherd. McNealus.

Strickland.

Faust.

Present-Not Voting.

Buchanan of Bell. McCollum.

#### Absent.

Dayton. Hopkins. Hudspeth. Woodward.

Senator Gibson offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 1, line 12, by striking out the words "The passage of this Act," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "January first, 1919; provided this Act has, in the meantime, been ratified by a vote of the people."

GIBSON. CLARK. HALL.

Senator Hopkins made the point of order that the amendment is not

The point of order was overruled. Senator Collins moved to table the amendment and this motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-19.

Alderdice. Johnson of Hall. Bee. Lattimore. Buchanan of Bell. McNealus. Buchanan of Scurry, Page. Collins. Robbins. Dean. Smith. Decherd. Strickland. Floyd. Suiter Henderson. Westbrook. Hopkins.

### Nays-8.

Gibson. Bailey. Caldwell. Hall. Johnston of Harris. Clark.

Parr Faust.

Present-Not Voting.

McCollum.

Absent.

Dayton. Woodward. Hudspeth.

Senator Johnston of Harris offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by adding a Section at the end of the bill as follows:

Section -... In all elections held under this law separate booths shall be provided wherein the male and female voters shall deposit their ballots; and such ballots shall be counted separately and certified separately to the legal returning officers.

Pending.

Messages from the House.

Hall of House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem, of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 46, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 5 of the Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature of the State of Texas, JOHNSTON of Harris. | which act was entitled 'An Act regulating the business of cooperative savings and contract loan companies,' so that hereafter such companies may invest their funds in mortgages which shall be a first lien on real estate located in any state of the United States of America, and further permitting such companies to invest their funds in Liberty Bonds and other certificates of indebtedness which have or may hereafter be authorized by the United States Congress; and declaring an emergency, with engrossed rider.

S. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of conservation and reclamation districts within this State under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 59 of Article 15 of the State Constitution, to be known as levee improvement districts, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

H. B. No. 27, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 475 and 476 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, prohibiting the carrying any pistol, dirk, dagger, sling shot, sword, cane, or knuckles made of any material or any hard substance, bowie knife, or any other knife manufactured or sold for purposes of offense or defense; prescribing a punishment therefor; making exceptions thereto in favor of certain officers, and declaring an emergency."

> Respectfully, BOB BARKER.

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Hall of the House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

H. B. No. 115, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2 and 8 of Chapter 181, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 6, Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, by adding thereto Section 2b, providing for standard 'grades and packs' of other fruits and vegetables; prohibiting receiving common carriers from fruits and vegetables for shipment or lative. transporting the same in violation of

ing penalties for violation of this law, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully, BOB BARKER.

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

## Bills Read and Referred.

The Chair, Senator Suiter, had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 46, referred to the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 27, referred to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 115, referred the the Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 22-House Amendments Concurred in.

Senator Alderdice called up for consideration of House amendments

S. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of conservation and reclamation districts within this State under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 59 of Article 15 of the State Constitution, to be known as Levee Improvement Districts, and declaring an emergency."

The following House amendments were laid before the Senate and read:

Amend the bill by adding at the end of Section 53 the following:

"Provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply to dams, canals, or other improvements made or to be made by irrigation, water improvements or irrigation improvements made by individuals or corporations."

- (2) Amend Senate Bill No. 22 by striking out Section 13 and renumbering subsequent sections to correspond.
- (3) Amend Senate Bill No. 22 by adding a new section thereto which shall read as follows:

"Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to repeal any law, upon this subject, passed at the Fourth (4th) Called Session of the Thirty-fifth (35th) Legislature, but any such law shall be deemed cumu-

Amend the caption of Sen-(4)the provisions of this act; prescrib- ate Bill No. 22 by inserting before

the phrase "and declaring an emergency," the following:

"Making all laws upon this subject passed at the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of Texas cumulative."

The amendments were concurred in by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Alderdice. Henderson. Bailey. Hopkins. Johnston of Harris. Bee. Buchanan of Bell. Page. Buchanan of Scurry. Robbins. Caldwell. Smith. Clark. Strickland. Suiter. Collins. Dean. Westbrook. Woodward. Faust.

#### Absent.

Decherd. Hudspeth. Gibson. Johnson of Hall. Hall. Parr.

# Absent-Excused:

Dayton. Lattimore.

Floyd.

McCollum. McNealus.

### Adjournment.

At 5:45 o'clock, p. m., the Senate, on motion of Senator Clark adjourned until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

# APPENDIX.

#### Retitions and Memorials.

Senator McNealus offered two telegrams from citizens of Dallas in support of the bill fixing salaries of county commissioners.

## Engrossing Committee Reports.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 35 carefully compared, and finds the Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Vice Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 33 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Vice Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 36 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Vice Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro

Tem. of the Senate. Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 84 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

ALDERDICE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on En-Sir: grossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 97 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

ALDERDICE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 89 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

ALDERDICE, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 99 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

ALDERDICE, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on En-

grossed Bills has had Senate Bill No. 102 carefully compared, and finds the same correctly engrossed.

ALDERDICE, Chairman.

### Committe Reports.

(Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 94, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of the health, safety and comfort of employes in factores, mills, workshops, mercantile establishments, laundries or other establishments where women are employed, providing proper temperature and ventilation for the protection of the health of employes, requiring the removal of gas, effluvia or odors from places where employes are required to work and means to allay dust injurious to the health of persons employed, prohibiting, etc., fixing penalties for violation of provisions of the Act, and declaring an emergency,'

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

McNealus. Chairman: Smith. Suiter, Strickland, Bee, Henderson, Clark, Lattimore.

### (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate Bill No. 90

Have had same under consideration and I am directed by the Committee to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Collins, Acting Chairman; Gibson, Westbrook, Smith Robbins, Dayton, Strickland, Lattimore.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 18, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Privi-Sir: leges and Elections, to whom war referred

H. B. No. 107, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3093 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, providing that none but citizens of the United States shall vote in primary elections and conventions, and providing that the right to vote given women by any law passed at the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature is not by this Act repealed, restricted or limited, and declaring an gency,'

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

> JOHNSTON of Harris, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 18, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 104, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 3003 of Chapter 7, Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, relating to officers of elections assisting a voter in preparing his ballot; and also amending Article 258, Chapter 2, Title 6, of the Revised Penal Code of Texas of 1911, so as to provide a penalty for the violation of said articles of the Revised Civil Statutes as the same are hereby amended,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

> JOHNSTON of Harris, Chairman.

> > Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 18, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance.

to whom was referred

S. B. No. 99, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation for the support and

maintenance of the training school for juveniles located at Gatesville, Texas, for the current fiscal year ending August 31, 1918, and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

CALDWELL, Vice Chairman.

# (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was re-

S. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act enlarging and establishing the Jarell Independent School District, Jarell, Williamson County, Texas: defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public schools within its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 155, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2, of House Bill No. 525, enacted by the Thirty-fifth Legislature at the Regular Session, creating the Nixon Independent School District and as amended by Section 1, House Bill No. Thirty-fifth Legislature, First Called Session; revising metes and bounds of said district, and declaring an emergency,

Have had same under consideration and beg leave to report same back to the Senate with the recom-. mendation that it do pass and be not

BEE, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 42, of the Acts of the Thirtyfirst Legislature approved March 16, 1918, entitled an Act creating the Venus Independent School District, in Johnson County, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; investing said district with rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only, under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and that it

be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

# (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3903, Chapter 4, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, of the State of Texas, and as amended by Chapter 142 of the Regular Session of the Thirtythird Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 55 of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature. relating to the appointment of certain officers named in Articles 3881 to 3886 of the Revised Civil Statutes, of deputies or assistants in the performance of the duties of such officers, where such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for an application to be made by such officers to the county judge of the county for authority to appoint same; prescribing the issuance by the county judge of an order authorizing the appointment of such deputies or assistants; providing that the officers desiring such deputies or assistants shall make affidavit that such asistants or deputies are neces-

sary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for the salary of a chief deputy and the other deputies or assistants; providing that the order of the county judge granting such authority shall state the number of deputies or assistants; providing that the officers requesting said deputies or assistants shall fix their compensation; providing the maximum amount allowed for deputies in counties having a population of 37,-500 to 100,000; providing the maximum amount allowed deputies in counties having a population in excess of 100,000, as shown by the last scholastic census; and providing that in counties in excess of 100,000 inhabitants, district attorneys or any district or county attorney, is authorized, with the consent of the county judge of said county, to appoint two assistants in addition to his regular force, which two assistants shall not be required to possess same qualification required by law for district providing county attorneys; amount paid said deputies also providing for fifty (\$50.00) dollars per month for necessary expenses, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not

printed.

McCollum, Chairman; Collins, Smith, Robbins, Gibson, Faust, Westbrook, Strickland.

### (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 156, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Section 119, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, by adding thereto Articles 6901a, 6901b, 6901c, 6901d and 6901e; fixing the compensation of county commissioners, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

Parr, Chairman; Clark, Smith, Johnston of Harris, Woodward.

### (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon, E. A. Decherd, President Pro

Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred

House Bill No. 119,

Have had same under consideration and beg leave to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

Parr, Chairman; Johnson of Hall, Buchanan of Bell, Hall, Decherd, Buchanan of Scurry, Collins.

## (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918. Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro.

Tem. of the Senate. Sir: Your Committee on Agricul-

tural Affairs, to whom was referred H. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7828 of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, providing the Governor shall appoint nine persons as public weighers in every city which receives annually one hundred thousand bales of cotton,"

Have had same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

Woodward, Chairman; Buchanan of Scurry, Suiter, Buchanan of Bell, Floyd.

Committee Room.
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.
Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro
Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was reterred

H. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 3086, (Chapter 10, Title 49), Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, so as to provide that no candidate at a primary election for a State or district office, shall be declared the nominee of any political party unless he has complied with all the requirments of law, and received a majority of the votes cast for all candidates for such office at such primary election; providing for the holding of a second primary election and fixing

the date for the holding of all second primary elections; and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am directed to report said bill back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with the accompanying committee amendments, and be not printed.

Committee amendment No. 1. Strike out the caption of the bill,

and insert'in lieu thereof the follow-

A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3086 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and add thereto Article 3086a, Article 3086b, Article 3086c, Article 3086d and Article 3086e, so as to provide majority nomination for candidate for State and district offices; to fix the date for one holding of all primary elections, to provide that the name of no alien enemy or person ineligible or otherwise disqualified, shall placed upon the official ballot in any primary election or general election; to prohibit executive committees and State officials from certifying or permitting the name of any person to be printed on the official ballot, who is ineligible or disqualified to hold the office for which he is a candidate; to provide penalties for violations of this Act; to provide procedure by which the question of the eligibility or qualification may be determined, and declaring an emergency."

Amendment No. 2.

Amend the bill by adding after Section 2, the following:

Section 2a. "That after said Article 3806, as amended, there be added five additional Articles to be known as Articles 3086a, 3086b, 3086c, 3086d and 3086e, to read and be as follows."

Article 3086a. No alien enemy or other person who is disqualified or ineligible to hold the office for which he is a candidate, shall have his name printed on any official ballot in any primary election, or on any official ballot in any general election. And the State executive committees, the district executive committees and the county executive committees of the different political parties in this State are hereby prohibited from certifying or permitting to be printed on any official ballot. The jurisdiction hereby conferred upon the judges of the Supreme Court is special, and may be

or disqualified from holding the office for which such person may seek to become a candidate, and the public officials of this State are hereby prohibited 'from certifying to be printed or permitting to be printed on an official ballot for any general election, the name of any person as a candidate for office who is ineligible or disqualified to hold the office for which such person is a candidate. Any person, executive committee or member of any executive committee violating any of the provisions this Article shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars.

Article 3086b. Should the eligibility or qualification of any person desiring to become a candidate for any State office be called in question and he fears that his name will be refused a place on his party ballot, such person shall have and he is hereby granted the right to file his application for writ of mandamus, addressed to the Supreme Court of this State, or the judges thereof, to compel the excutive committee of his party to certify his name to be printed on the official ballot for the primary election of such party, and notice of the filing of such petition shall be served upon the chairman of the State executive committee of the party whose nomination he seeks, and five days after the service of such notice, the Supreme Court or a majority of the judges thereof, shall set down for hearing and determination the question as to the eligibility and qualification of such party. Ιf it is the decision of a majority of the judges of the Supreme Court sitting as a special tribunal either in term or vacation, that such candidate is eligible and is not disqualified to hold the office for which he is a candidate, his name shall be, by the executive committee of his party certified to be printed on the official ballot for the primary election; but if the Supreme Court or a majority of the judges thereof, should hold that such party is not eligible or is disqualified to hold the office for which he is a candidate, such executive committee shall not be permitted to place his name on the official ballot. The jurisdiction hereby conferred upon the judges of the Su-

exercised either in term or vacation of the Supreme Court. For the purpose of such proceeding they are empowered to hear proof and determine questions of fact under the ordinary rules of procedure in the trial courts.

Article 3086c. In the event any person shall make application 'to have his name printed upon an official ballot of any political party as a candidate for any State office, any citizen of this State shall have the right, from and after the taking effect of this Act to file a petition for injunction in the District Court of Travis County, to enjoin the State executive committee of such political party from certifying the name of such candidate for the official ballot of the party, and notice of said petition shall be served upon the candidate and upon the chairman or some member of the State executive comnittee of the party and, after five days, the district court in which this petition is filed shall set down the matter for hearing for not longer than five days thereafter, and at the time for which the hearing is set, shall proceed without delay to try out the question of the eligibility and qualification of such candidate, un-der the Constitution and laws of this State to hold the office for which he is a candidate, and upon the conclusion of such hearing shall determine whether such candidate is ineligible or disqualified to hold the, office. Either party may, within two days after judgment is rendered in such proceeding in the district court, appeal from such decision to the Supreme Court of the State, in which court the appeal shall take precedence over all other cases. The parties shall have five days from and after rendition of judgment in the district court within which to make up and file their statement of facts, and shall have seven days after rendition of the judgment to file the transcript and statement of facts in the Supreme Court.

Article 3086d. If the eligibility of any candidate for district, county or precinct office shall be called in question, the candidate is hereby granted the right to file his petition in the district court of any county having jurisdiction under the ordinary rules of venue, and notice of ber of said committee or any citizen

chairman of the executive committee of the district, if there be such chairman; and if there be no such chairman, then upon the several county chairmen of the district; and in case of county or precinct office, notice shall be served upon the chairman of the county. Any citizen of the district or county shall have the right to file a petition for injuncion in any district court having jurisdiction to restrain the executive committee from causing or permitting the name of such person to be printed on the official ballot of his party as a candidate for such office, and notice for such proceeding shall be served upon such candidate and upon some member of the executive committee to be enjoined, and five days after the service of such notice in either case, the said district court shall, in term time or in vacation, proceed to try the question of the eligibility and qualification of such person to hold the office for which he seeks to become a candidate; and if, in the judgment of the court, the candidate is eligible and qualified to hold such office, his name shall be placed upon the official ballot; but if the judg-ment of such court is that such candidate is not eligible or is disqualified to hold such office, his name shall not be placed on the official ballot, and either party to the injunction proceeding, authorized in this Section of this Act, shall have the right to appeal directly from the district court to the Supreme provided such appeal is taken within two days from the rendition of the judgment thereof; and in the Su-preme Court such cause shall have precedence over all other matters. The provisions of Article 3086c shall apply to appeals prosecuted under this Section of this Act.

Article 3086e. Any notice provided for in this bill may be served by delivering a copy thereof to the party on whom it is to be served, in person, or by leaving a copy at his residence or place of business, and return of such notice showing the manner of service, shall be promptly made to the court issuing the notice. In the mandamus or injunction procedings provided for in this Act, when directed against an executive committee by a candidate, any memsuch petition shall be served, in shall have the right to appear and case it is a district office, upon the join issue with such petition and

shall have the right to be represented by himself and counsel therein; and in any injunction proceedings authorized by this Act, the candidate whose eligibility, and qualification are sought to be determined, shall have the right to appear in person and by attorney and join issue with such petition and present the defenses thereto, and any person or candidate who is hereby permitted to appear in any proceding authorized under the foregoing Sections of this Act shall have the same right of appeal as the parties named on the face of the orignal petition.

Amendment No. 3.

Amend House Bill No. 110, by renumbering the emergency clause, Section 3.

JOHNSTON of Harris, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1918.

Hon. E. A. Decherd, President Pro Tem. of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Debts, Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred Senate Bill No

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

SUITER, Chairman.

By McNealus.

S. B. No. 91.

## A BILL To be entitled

An Act to provide for the payment to Mrs. J. D. Skelton, daughter of Colonel William Fitzhugh, deceased, the amount due the said Colonel William Fitzhugh and remaining unpaid by the State of Texas, for the purchase by the State of Texas, from Colonel William Fitzhugh, of mules for the Ranger Service, prior to 1860.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Revenue of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven thousand, four hundred and seventy-one (\$7,471.00) dollars, in payment of amount due, principal and interest, to Mrs. J. D. Skelton,

daughter of Colonel William Fitzhugh, deceased, said amount being due by the State of Texas and remaining unpaid on account of the purchase by the State of Texas, from Colonel William Fitzhugh, of mules for the Ranger Service prior to 1860, as shown by volume 5, pages 422-3 Gammel's Laws of the State of Texas, 1861-1866, Chapter 23, Eighth Legislature, Extra Session, Special Laws and other public records.

#### NINETEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Wednesday, March 20, 1918.

The Senate met at 9:30 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Decherd.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice. Hopkins.

Bailey. Johnson of Hall. Bee. Johnston of Harris.

Buchanan of Bell. Lattimore. Buchanan of Scurry, McCollum.

Caldwell. McNealus.
Clark. Page.
Collins. Parr.
Dean. Robbins.
Decherd. Smith.

Faust. Strickland. Floyd. Suiter Gibson. Westbrook. Hall. Woodward.

Henderson.

Absent.

Hudspeth.

Absent-Excused.

Dayton.

Prayer by Rev. Simeon Shaw. Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Alderdice.

Petitions and Memorials.

See Appendix.

Committee Reports.

See Appendix.